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***** APOSTLES' FAST / SAINTS PETER & PAUL FAST *****

ON THE MEND: Please keep the following parishioners and others in your prayers for recovery from their illnesses and injuries: Archbishop Daniel, Metropolitan Antony, Metropolitan Yuriy, Archbishop Jovan, Metropolitan Savas, Father Paul & Pani Judy Stoll, Father Joseph Kopchak, Father Elias Warnke, Father George Yatsko, Father Paul Bigelow, Father Emilian Balan, Father John & Pani Mary Anne Nakonachny, Father Steve Repa, Archpriest Dionysi Vitali, Protodeacon Joseph Hotrovich, Father Paisius McGrath, Father Michael Smolynech, Father Lawrence Daniels, Father Joe & Protinica Linda Cervo, Igumen Patrick, Father Jim Orr, Father Rick Seilier, Panimatka Laryssa Charest, Father Vasyl Sendeha, Father George & Dobrodijka Oksana Bazylevsky, Father Angelo Artemas, Father John Haluszczak, Father Christopher Bender, Dr. Christina Nellis, Father Anthony Ugolnik, Father Joshua [Anna], Father Justin (Todd) Mokhiber, Pani Cathy Danczak, Monk Andrew, Father Dan & Matushka Myra Kovalak, Pastor Terry & Lisa Polen, Chaplain Rachelle Zazzu & Genie Ford, Father Alexis Clodfelter—Military Chaplain Training, Eva Malesnick, Nick Behun, Gary & Linda Mechtly, Evelyn Misko, Jeanne Boehing, Alex Drobot, Rachelle, Doug Diller, Harry Krewsun, Mary Alice Babcock, Dorie Kunkle, Mary Evelyn King, Sam Wadrose, Isabella Olivia Lindgren, Ethel Thomas, Donna, Erin, Michael Miller, Grace & Owen Ostrasky, Patti Sinecki, David Genshi, Sue Segeleon, Mike Gallagher, Liz Stumpf, Theodore Nixon, Michelle Corba Kapeluck, Margaret Vladimir, Luke Emmerling, Robert McKivitz, Liz Obradovich, Halyna Zelinska [Archbishop Daniel's mother], Charlotte, Andrew Mark Olynyk, Deborah Finley, Claire Senita, Eleanor Kelly, Bryan, Nancy Barylak, Patrick Keenan, Khrystyna Chorniy, Anthony Cormier, Nathan Forbeck, Sarah Doyle, Samuel Peters, David Vallor, Henry Faraly, Julie Eiler, Dorothy Lednovich, Bob C., Allie—young girl with leukemia, Heather Kramer, Jane Wartinbee, Matthew—young man with cancer, Nicholas Orlando, Mary Ann Kuznik, Michael Pryhodzenko, Theresa Ditto, Mary Ann Musial, Yvonne Christy, Father Deacon Myron & Barbara Spak, Julia Duda, Lisa Pandle, Kris & Julie Hanczar, John Kennedy, Gaelle Kelly, Irma McDivitt, Robin Young, Mckayla, Rachel, Carl & Margaret Reed, Lydia Wilson, Robert Pointon, Walter Cecelia, John Persico, Jeff Miller, Mary Kernick, Glenn Miller, Jean Marie, Donna & Walter McCrackin, Gene Blair [Pani Gina's dad], David

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Paul Cervo, Jr., Elizabeth, Susan & Greg Heinen & Jenette Wittik, Paul Simpson [Father Bob's cousin], Sharon Curtis Rivas, Kathy Milcic, Lisa Bolan, David G. [cancer], Donna [dementia] & Darla, Adam Snow, the McKenna family, David Gazella, Brian & Michele Cannone, the Rodrigues family, Michael Welsh, Nick Solominsky, Samantha & Lisa Houser, Sarah Stepanovich Clark, Julia Baloga, Brett Crosby, Randy Lapuh, Henry Tkacik, Diane & Arthur Chaklis, Denny Mader, Zoe Oswalt—Fr. Bob's cousin, Barbetta [cancer] & Scott, Kristin [cancer], Erm Hartmann, Barbara Bookser, Bob Mazzuca, Marko, Taylor, Terri Crosby-Vega, Christine Mohamed & family, Tammy Marsico, Terry & David Hartnett, Jamie Ball, Kay Williams, Hannah Stewart, Jim Wyko—Alex's friend, Dan Losego, Lisa Bruce, Yvette, Barry Bender, Andrew Zelleznick, Byron & Cecilia Scott, Vespina, Michelle Russo, Julie Tripodi, Debbie—HTUCC, Barbara Morvay, David Salsar, N&O, Randy & Adrienne Kuny, Vince Berardinelli, Mason Martin [Karns City HS QB] & family, Martin Mrvos, Jeff McCoy, Lauren & Sloane Valentina Persico, Alexis & Colton Rosati, Jessica Shirley, Mark [kidney cancer], Steve Milcic, Wilbert Wagner, Bob Wojciechowski, Ashley, Beth, Sharon Svitek, Laura, Christopher, & Jane Dickson, Luke D, Diane Murphy, Kristin Vaughn [Harry's daughter], George Petronsky, Doug & Darcie Burkholder, Michael, Jeane, and Katie Byerly, McGrath, Samantha Lopez, Bob [cancer], Syble Elliott, Maria Ancevski, Krystyna, John, & Jeffrey, Dottie & family, Bonny Diver & Ashley Smock, Steve, Jill Morocco, Mike Pelino, Maddie Stewart, Hutchinson Family, David Urban, Vicky Moore, Casi [cancer], Ashley & Andy, Marion Mamula, Dominic [cancer], Diane Hughes, Jenny Case, Mary & Carl Stepanovich, Susie Fierst, Edward Poturich, Jeff, Chris, & Mills family, Kate Rapina & Mother Oksana, Sarah's son, Rachel, Alex, & little Charlie, Steve & Vonnie Gerson, Eva, Pamela & Doug, Nora, Mike & Jane, Mary Ann [Stage 4 cancer] & Lisa, Barbara Gardner & Mark Egleton, Donna Karas & Ross Rawe, Susan [cancer], Rose Marie, Tim Pruss, Donna & Laura Kloock, Tom Katona, Chris & Elisa Astorino, Dale & Nancy Burns, Cathy Metrick [Fr. Bob's cousin], Brianna [cancer] & Amanda, Jody Wojciechowski, Jim Lea [knee replacement], Dave Hirsch, Carolyn & Jeff Gray, Terry & Lou, Kay Archer & Luke Vega, Terri Crosby-Vega, and Lauren, Dan, & Daphne Iona... We pray that God will grant them all a complete and speedy recovery.

Happy Birthday to our June babies: Andrea Weiser on the 2nd, Luke Brunermer on the 13th and Allison Chicka on the 14th. May God grant them all Many Happy, Healthy, Prosperous, and Blessed Years! M'nohaya Lita! God Bless their family and friends...

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ... There is NOTHING to keep us from praying...for each other, for our family and friends, and most of all for the first responders—EMTs, nurses, doctors, firefighters, police officers, and members of our military who keep us safe. Be well and be SAFE!!! God Bless!

Please remember ALL American service men and women in your prayers. May God watch over them and ALL service men and women—and bring them all home safely!

REMEMBER—PRAYERS ARE ALWAYS FREE!

Communion Fasting: nothing to eat or drink after midnight, EXCEPT in cases where your doctor tells you to eat or drink something for medical reasons: medication, diabetes, etc. ***If you have a question, please ask Father Bob.***

AT ANY TIME—if there is an emergency, if you have questions, or if you just need to talk, please CALL FATHER BOB at **[412] 956-6626.**

SERVICES IN SLICKVILLE

SUNDAY, June 14 OBEDNITZA—SAINT JOHN CHRYSOSTOM—UPSTAIRS 10:30 AM
2ND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST; ALL SAINT OF MOUNT ATHOS; ALL SAINTS OF UKRAINE; MARTYR JUSTIN THE PHILOSOPHER & THOSE WITH HIM AT ROME; MARTYRS JUSTIN, CHARITON & WIFE CHARITA, EULPISTUS, HIERAX, PEON, VALERIAN, & JUSTUS; MARTYR VICTORIA IN ROME; SAINT AGAPITUS-UNMERCENARY PHYSICIAN OF PERCHEVSKY LAVRA

Tone 1

Romans 2:10-16; Hebrews 11:33-12:2

Matthew 4:18-23; Matthew 4:25-5:12

Litany in Blessed Memory of Ann Roman, Richard Previc, Millie Kerr, Andrew Torick, Stella Rossi, Mary Maolie, Dianne Waryanka, Joseph Karas, Mary "Maxine" Kitch, & Michael Franusich—Fr. Bob

SUNDAY, JUNE 21 ***NO SERVICE IN SLICKVILLE*******
3RD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST; ALL SAINTS OF GALICIA & ODESSA; GREAT-MARTYR THEODORE STRATELATES; SAINT EPHRAIM-PATRIARCH OF ANTIOCH; SAINT ZOSIMAS-MONK OF PHOENICIA; SAINT THEODORE-BISHOP OF SUZDAL; FINDING OF RELICS OF SAINTS BASIL & CONSTANTINE-PRINCES OF YAROSLAVL

Tone 2

Romans 5:1-10

Matthew 6:22-33

**SUNDAY, June 28 OBEDNITZA—SAINT JOHN CHRYSOSTOM—UPSTAIRS 10:30 AM
4TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST; ALL SAINTS OF MOUNT ATHOS & UKRAINE;
PROPHET AMOS; MARTYRS VITUS, MODESTUS, & CRESCENTIA AT
LUCANIA; MARTYR DULAS OF CILICA; VENERABLE DULAS THE PASSION-
BEARER OF EGYPT; SAINT JEROME OF STRIDONIUM; BLESSED
AUGUSTINE-BISHOP OF HIPPO; SAINT MICHAEL-1ST METROPOLITAN OF
KIEV**

Tone 3

Romans 6:18-23; Hebrews 13:17-21

Matthew 8:5-13; John 10:9-16

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TROPARION—TONE 1

**When the stone had been sealed by the Jews;
While the soldiers were guarding Thy most pure Body;
Thou didst rise on the third day, O Savior,
Granting life to the world.
The powers of heaven therefore cried to Thee, O Giver of life:
Glory to Thy Resurrection, O Christ!
Glory to Thy Kingdom!
Glory to Thy Dispensation, O Thou who lovest mankind.**

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and
ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.**

KONTAKION—TONE 1

**As God, Thou didst rise from the tomb in glory, raising the world
with Thyself.
Human nature praises Thee as God, for death has vanished!
Adam exults, O Master!
Eve rejoices, for she is freed from bondage and cries to Thee:
Thou are the Giver of Resurrection to all, O Christ!**

PROKEIMENON—TONE 1

READER: Let Thy mercy, O Lord, be upon us as we have set our hope on Thee.

PEOPLE: Let Thy mercy, O Lord, be upon us as we have set our hope on Thee.

READER: Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous! Praise befits the just!

PEOPLE: Let Thy mercy, O Lord, be upon us as we have set our hope on Thee.

READER: Let Thy mercy, O Lord, be upon us...

PEOPLE: As we have set our hope on Thee.

ALLELUIA VERSES

God gives vengeance to me, and subdues people under me.

He magnifies the salvation of the king, and deals mercifully with His Christ, with David and his seed forever!

What can we learn from America's first Orthodox bishop?



St. Raphael of Brooklyn. Photo courtesy of Wikimedia Commons
**By Metropolitan Saba of the Antiochian Orthodox Christian
Archdiocese of North America June 4, 2026**

"I am an Arab by birth, Greek by primary education, American by residence, Russian at heart, and Slav in soul." +St. Raphael of Brooklyn

Many saintly, dedicated, and faithful servants helped plant the seeds of Orthodoxy in America, but few were as well-prepared for such labor as St. Raphael of Brooklyn. As the quotation above suggests, St. Raphael embodied the evangelical and missionary spirit needed in his own time which is all the more needed in ours as we mark the 250th anniversary of our nation.

Before reflecting further on St. Raphael and his example, I would like to mention a photograph that struck me in the hall of our St. Nicholas

Cathedral in Brooklyn, NY. Taken at the consecration of our current Cathedral on State Street in 1920, the photograph shows a massive crowd gathered outside. What covered the cathedral's façade was not, as one might expect today, a mix of American flags and those of the immigrants' countries of origin. Rather, the façade was completely draped in the flags of the United States of America alone. That image left a profound impression on me and speaks volumes to the mindset of those early immigrants. They loved the cities, villages, and families they had left behind, yet they knew they were here to stay in America. They desired to be full participants in their adopted land while preserving their ancient faith and traditions. It was into this context that St. Raphael, then Archimandrite Raphael Hawaweeny, arrived to New York in 1895.



St. Nicholas Antiochian Orthodox Cathedral in Brooklyn, 1920. Photo courtesy of St. Nicholas Cathedral archive

Prior to arriving in the United States, St. Raphael lived in several centers of Orthodoxy, from his native Damascus, to Constantinople and the island of Halki where he studied, and to Kiev and Moscow. It is in this way that, through his extensive travels and his acquisition of multiple languages in both colloquial and liturgical contexts, St. Raphael, by God's providence, was well-prepared to undertake his mission in this new land: to help establish parishes for newly-arrived Orthodox immigrants of various ethnic backgrounds. Although his primary calling was to serve Arabic-speaking immigrants from Greater Syria—that is, modern-day Syria and Lebanon—through the newly-formed Syro-Arab Mission of the Russian Orthodox Church, St. Raphael became a respected and beloved figure among Orthodox immigrants more broadly, especially in the New York area. His tireless missionary efforts took him across the United States, Canada, and even Mexico, where he baptized, married, and served memorials for faithful people living in remote areas. In each locale, he also encouraged the

faithful to found parishes and promised them priests once they committed themselves to this holy task.

As the mission grew, the then-head of the Russian Orthodox diocese in North America, St. Tikhon of Moscow, recognized that St. Raphael should be made a bishop to oversee the young mission parishes throughout the United States expanding work, with the agreement of both the Patriarch of Moscow and the Patriarch of Antioch. On March 13, 1904, St. Raphael was elevated to the episcopacy at St. Nicholas Cathedral in Brooklyn, New York, becoming the first Orthodox bishop of any background to be consecrated on American soil. Without his missionary zeal and steadfast dedication to serving the faithful, many Orthodox immigrants might well have been religiously assimilated as they pursued the American dream in their new homeland.

St. Raphael's ability to move between cultures and to draw on the best of Orthodox customs makes him a model for our own time. He could speak to people in their own language and understood their traditions because of his life experiences, while also encouraging them to adapt to their new homeland. He upheld the teachings of the Church with vigor and protected his flock from ravenous wolves, while adapting to the realities and norms of the American experience without compromising the faith.

What, then, can we learn from St. Raphael's life as we celebrate 250 years of the American democratic experiment? We should be deeply grateful for figures like St. Raphael who cultivated the seeds of Orthodoxy in America. Just as American citizens look to the founding fathers of our nation and to the sacrifices they made to build a stronger and better country, so too should we should look to our own "founding fathers," of Orthodoxy in America, learn from their witness, and make it our own. We must continue to nurture what has grown from their early labors, even as we welcome those who now embrace the Holy Orthodox Faith by choice.

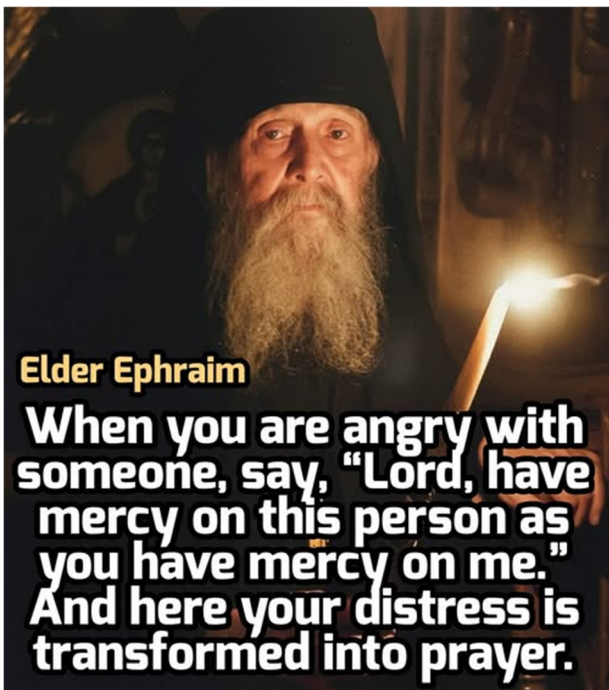
Just as America has been called "the great melting pot," so too does the Orthodox faith gather into one those who seek to embrace Jesus Christ within the ark of the Church, where "There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male nor female; for you are all one in Christ Jesus." (Galatians 3:28). To Him be all glory and honor forever and ever.

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Father Andrew Fetchina:

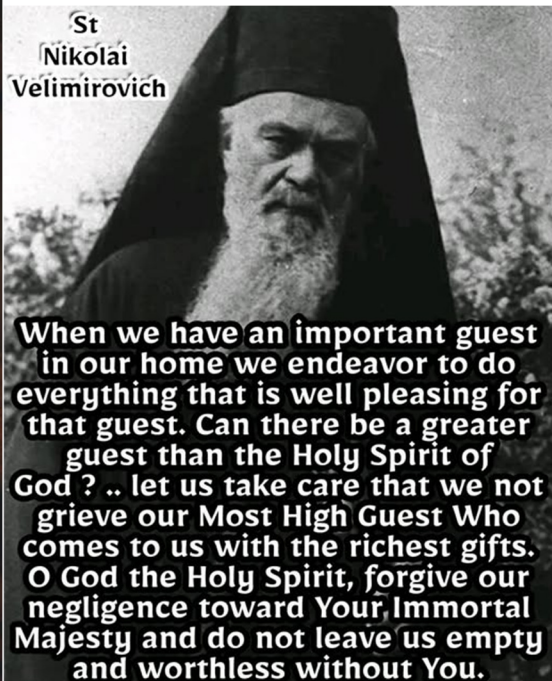
Saint Andrei Rublev's Trinity (c. 1410) is based on an earlier icon known as the "Hospitality of Abraham" (illustrating Genesis 18). Rublev removed the figures of Abraham and Sarah from the scene, and through a subtle use of composition and symbolism changed the subject to focus on the Mystery of the Trinity.

The account of Abraham's hospitality takes place under the Oaks of Mamre, in current day Hebron. The Slavic tradition of bringing trees into the Church during Pentecost reminds us of this meeting between God and man on that day. Entering the Church we are immediately enjoined to that moment of grace.



Elder Ephraim

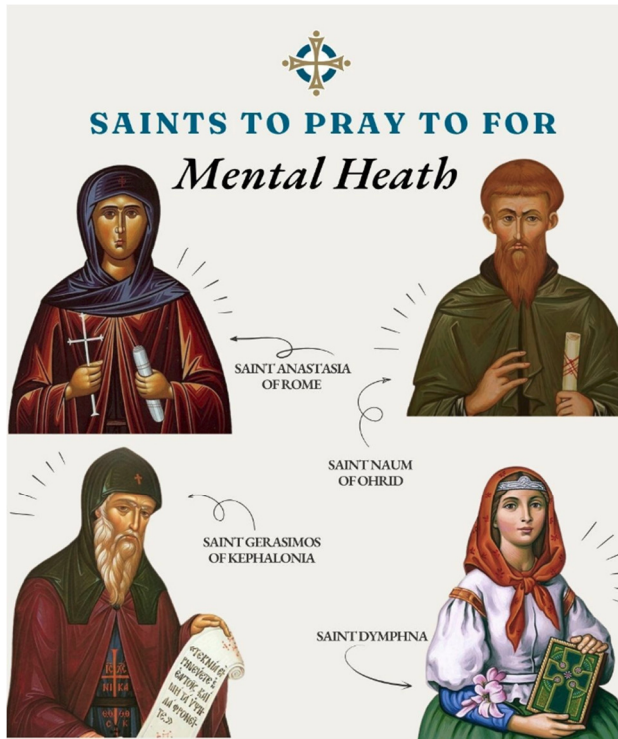
When you are angry with someone, say, "Lord, have mercy on this person as you have mercy on me." And here your distress is transformed into prayer.



St Nikolai Velimirovich

When we have an important guest in our home we endeavor to do everything that is well pleasing for that guest. Can there be a greater guest than the Holy Spirit of God? .. let us take care that we not grieve our Most High Guest Who comes to us with the richest gifts. O God the Holy Spirit, forgive our negligence toward Your Immortal Majesty and do not leave us empty and worthless without You.

"Parents and teachers! Beware and be most careful not to let your children be capricious; otherwise they will soon forget to value your love; their hearts will be corrupted with wickedness; they will soon lose holy, true, glowing love from their hearts, and, on reaching maturity, they will complain bitterly that in their youth you spoilt them too much and encouraged them in their caprices." *Righteous John, Wonderworker of Kronstadt, Russia* (died in 1908), *My Life in Christ*, p. 53.



Abba Macarius was asked, How should one pray? The old man said, There is no need at all to make long discourses; it is enough to stretch out ones hands and say, "Lord, as you will, and as you know, have mercy." And if the conflict grows fiercer say, "Lord, help!" He knows very well what we need and he shews us his mercy.

St. Macarius of Egypt

Purity of heart; and it is for this that we should do everything, scorning possessions, enduring fasts and vigils gladly, engaging in spiritual reading and psalmody. *Venerable Moses the Black of Sketis, Philokalia, Vol. 1 p.96*

In Case of Emergency
Follow the Instructions



Every liturgy is an atomic
bomb dropped on hell.

St. Nikolaj Velimirovic

WHAT IS SIN IN THE ORTHODOX UNDERSTANDING?

Sin is a missing of the mark a turning away from God and toward lesser things.

The Orthodox Church understands sin less as a legal violation and more as a spiritual sickness that wounds the soul and separates us from the life of God.

God responds to sin with compassion, always calling His children back to wholeness and healing.

The Beauty of Holiness

1 Chronicles 16:29—Give unto the Lord the glory due unto his name: bring an offering, and come before him: worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness. (KJV)

The Holy Scriptures call attention to the beauty of holiness in worship. Believers benefit when worshipping the Lord in the beauty of holiness. Honest self-examination reveals the essence of the believer's worship. Where the beauty of holiness fits in the believer's worship requires honesty. The place of the Lord in the heart, mind and soul influences worship. The way a person views the Lord is revealed in worshipping experiences.

2 Chronicles 20:21—And when he had consulted with the people, he appointed singers unto the Lord, and that should praise the beauty of holiness, as they went out before the army, and to say, Praise the Lord; for his mercy endureth forever. (KJV)

Singers have a central role in the Divine services of God's Holy Church. Praising the beauty of holiness by singers directly affects all in attendance. The beauty of holiness captured in singing unites those gathered in church. Hearts, minds and souls overflow when the beauty of holiness is praised. The Lord's mercy endures forever and is firmly connected with holiness. The beauty of holiness present in the Divine services illumines believers.

Psalms 28/29:2—Give unto the Lord the glory due unto his name; worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness. (KJV)

Eyes to see and ears to hear are needed to appreciate the beauty of holiness. The believer's primary interests reflect if the beauty of holiness is valued. The path a person follows in life determines the glory expressed in worship. The believer's demeanor changes when the beauty of holiness is cherished. Life improves when the believer fully invests in giving glory to

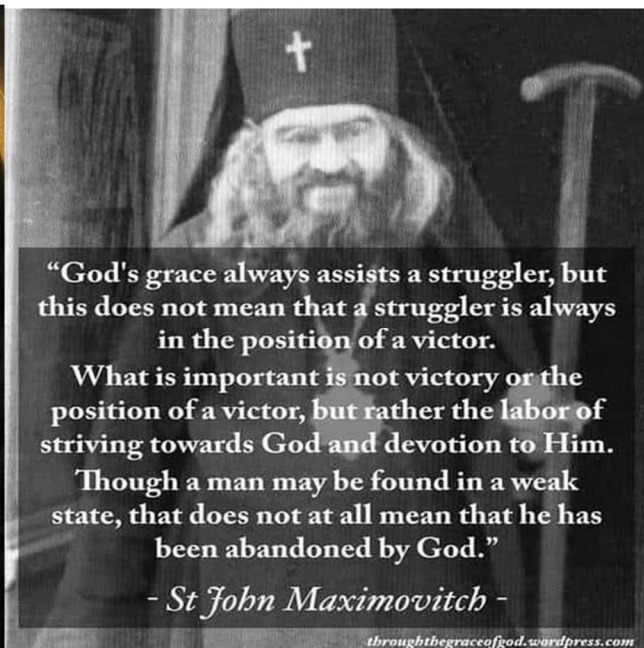
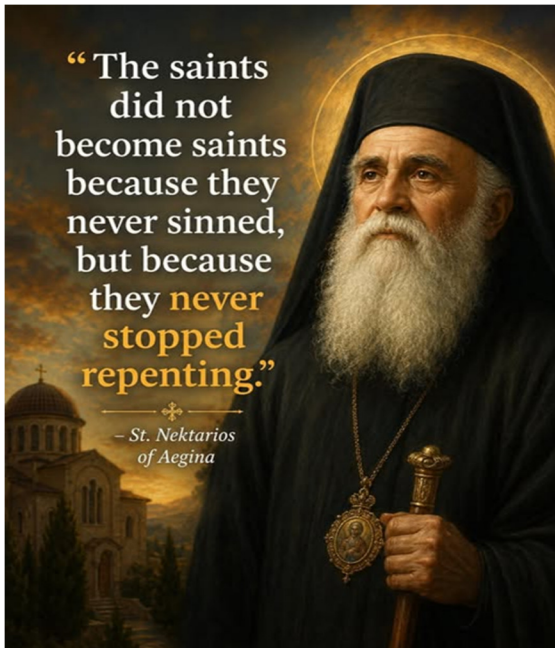
the Lord. The Psalms are enduring references for understanding the beauty of holiness.

Psalm 95/96:9-O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness: fear before him, all the earth. (KJV)

The journey to God's Kingdom begins at Baptism and is to continue in life. Appreciating the beauty of holiness is central to growing in Jesus Christ. Growth in the Lord Jesus Christ is intended throughout the believer's life. Worshipping the Lord in the beauty of holiness facilitates personal growth. An attentive presence is essential for worshipping in the beauty of holiness. The beauty of holiness fills worshipping believers' hearts, minds, and souls.

St. Cyril of Jerusalem. March 18/31, 2026. Father Rodney Torbic

When on your way to God you meet obstacles raised up by the Devil: doubt and unbelief of heart, also a thorough ill-feeling, sometimes towards persons worthy of absolute respect and love, as well as other passions. Do not be disturbed by them, but know that it is but the smoke of the enemy, which will be dispersed at a sign from our Lord Jesus Christ. *Righteous John, Wonderworker of Kronstadt, My Life in Christ p.47*



UPCOMING SERVICES SCHEDULE

SUNDAY, JUNE 14 OBEDNITZA UPSTAIRS
SUNDAY, JUNE 21 NO SERVICE
SUNDAY, JUNE 28 OBEDNITZA UPSTAIRS

SUNDAY, JULY 05	NO SERVICE
SUNDAY, JULY 12	NO SERVICE—PARKWAY
SUNDAY, JULY 19	NO SERVICE
SUNDAY, JULY 26	NO SERVICE—PARKWAY
SUNDAY, AUGUST 02	NO SERVICE
SUNDAY, AUGUST 09	OBEDNITZA UPSTAIRS
SUNDAY, AUGUST 16	NO SERVICE
SUNDAY, AUGUST 23	OBEDNITZA UPSTAIRS
SUNDAY, AUGUST 30	NO SERVICE
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 06	OBEDNITZA UPSTAIRS
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13	NO SERVICE
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20	OBEDNITZA UPSTAIRS
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 27	NO SERVICE
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 04	OBEDNITZA UPSTAIRS
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 11	NO SERVICE
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18	OBEDNITZA UPSTAIRS